

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Previously Presented) A method for preparing a rapidly disintegrable tablet comprising

producing fine granules containing lansoprazole, said granules having a core and
at

least one layer coating said core,

blending said fine granules with a sugar and a low-substituted

hydroxypropylcellulose having 5% to less than 7 % by weight of

hydroxypropoxyl groups, said sugar is an amount of 5 to 97 parts by

weight per 100 parts by weight of the rest of the tablet other than the fine
granules and

molding to obtain a tablet.

wherein said tablet is buccally dissolved in from about 5 to about 50
seconds.

21. (Previously Presented) A method for improving fast disintegrability of a tablet of
lansoprazole comprising

adding low-substituted hydroxypropylcellulose having 5% to less than 7% by
weight of hydroxypropoxyl groups and sugar in combination with fine
granules containing lansoprazole to obtain an improved tablet;

wherein said sugar is added in an amount of 5 to 97 parts by weight per 100 parts
by weight of the rest of the tablet other than said fine granules, and

wherein said improved tablet is buccally dissolved in from about 5 to about 50
seconds.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, wherein said tablet is buccally dissolved in from about 5 to about 40 seconds.
24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, wherein said tablet is buccally dissolved in from about 5 to about 35 seconds.
25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, wherein said sugar is a sugar alcohol.
26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, wherein said sugar is mannitol or erythritol.
27. (Cancelled)
28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said tablet is buccally dissolved in from about .5 to about 40 seconds.
29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said tablet is buccally dissolved in from about 5 to about 35 seconds.
30. (Cancelled)
31. (Currently Amended) The tablet of claim 32 wherein said fine granules are ~~enteric-coated fine~~ enteric-coated fine granules.
32. (Currently Amended) An orally disintegrable tablet comprising:
fine granules containing lansoprazole,
said granules having a core and at least one layer coating said core;
a sugar wherein said sugar is in an amount of 5 to 97 parts by weight of the rest of

the tablet other than said fine granules; and

a low-substituted hydroxypropylcellulose having 5% to less than 7 % by weight of hydroxypropoxyl groups;

wherein said low-substituted hydroxypropyl cellulose is separate from said ~~fine~~ fine granules in said tablet;

wherein said tablet is improved in chalky taste and has no roughness

and wherein said tablet is buccally dissolved in from about 5 to about 50 seconds.